



2015 - 2016 York County Youth Commission Applications Due Date Extended to March 18

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The York County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking students interested in representing youth interests and concerns by serving on the York County Youth Commission (YCYC) for the 2015-2016 school year. Applicants for this 15-member student-led group must be York County residents now enrolled in grades 8-11 in either a public, private or home school.

The Youth Commission's primary purpose is to serve as a link between the Board and the county's youth by representing youth related needs and issues. Student surveys, annual Town Hall Meetings with county and school officials in the high schools and other initiatives are used to help give youth a voice to ask questions and express their opinions about issues of most importance to them. In addition, Commission members typically participate in rewarding community service projects, learn about County government, and further develop leadership and teambuilding skills.

A completed application form, short student essay and a letter of recommendation must be received at the York County Parks and Recreation office by the extended due date of **Wednesday, March 18, 2015**. After reviewing the applications, the Board of Supervisors will appoint up to three teens from each of the County's five voting districts. The new Commission will be formally introduced at a Board of Supervisors' meeting in June.

Application forms and complete program details are best available by downloading from the York County Youth Commission's web site at **www.ycyc.info**. Hard copy forms are also available at the Yorktown and Tabb Libraries, the Williamsburg and James City County Libraries, and at the York County Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT) office located at 100 County Drive (23692).

Interested teens and their parents are invited to attend the February 4 or March 4 Youth Commission monthly meetings anytime from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Yorktown Library Meeting Room, 8500 Geo. Washington Memorial Hwy. (Rte. 17). Those who attend will have the opportunity to observe a meeting and ask questions of this year's commissioners or county support staff. Please Note: Applicants are not required to attend either of these meetings.

For more information about the Youth Commission, please call the Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT) office at 890-3500.

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